

**USBR/Western Customer Funding Program  
Technical Committee Meeting  
December 11, 2001  
9:00 at Sacramento Municipal Utility District**

**Draft Minutes**

**1. Call to order by Chairman/Secretary**

**2. Roll Call (Normal attendees; x marks attendees; p-phone in)**

( X ) Charles Cooper, Western (M)	( X ) Ed Roman, SMUD (M)	( ) Joe Ungvari, DOE (A)
( X ) Cyndi Calvillo, Western (L)	( X ) Barry Mortimeyer, USBR (M)	( X ) Mark Clark, DOE (M)
( X ) Russ Klein, BART (M)	( ) Janice Bartlett, USBR (L)	( ) Dan Netto, USBR (A)
( X ) Stuart Robertson, Irrigation (M)	( ) Matt Foskett, NCPA (A)	( X ) Bill Reichmann, SVP (M)
( P ) Tom Kabat, Palo Alto (M)	( P ) Lowell Watros, Redding (M)	( X ) Tom Ruthford, USBR (A)
( X ) Martin Bauer, USBR (A)	( ) Bernard Erlich, Palo Alto (A)	

**3. Review Prior Minutes** – Previous minutes of the October 17, 2001 T/C Meeting were approved.

**4. Reports**

- A. **Governance Board** – No report as there has been no GB meeting since the last T/C Meeting. Reclamation indicated they had received a letter dated September 6, 2001, from the GB requesting additional appropriations to be acquired in order to fund power efficiency type projects within the CVP.
- B. **Finance Committee**
- **Calendar Matrix Update**
  - **Financial Report** – Tom Ruthford handed out the summary report as of the end of November 2001. It was indicated that the Spring Creek Air Circuit Breaker showed a double accounting of the prior year obligation and would be corrected by the next meeting.
  - **2002 RRTS Availability** – Reclamation clarified the issue as to whether reprogramming was necessary for assuring award of the Spring Creek transformer rehabilitation project. See E. below.
- C. **Other – Powerformer** – Work continues on the economics and feasibility report.
- D. **FY00 Project Status**
- **Keswick Trash Rake** – Nothing new to report.

#### E. FY01 Project Status

- **Spring Creek ACB Retrofit** – The contract for the unit breaker parts was awarded at the end of FY2001.
- **Spring Creek Transformer Refurbishment** – Sufficient funds (\$105,000 additional) were not available within Reclamation's budget to allow awarding this contract before the end of September 2001. Reclamation had informed GB and T/C members of its intent to reprogram funds with the amounts available. This caused some concern as to whether it met the intent of "reprogramming" in the agreement. Since September, Reclamation decided that reprogramming would not be done. The question related to either find funds to make an award in September OR go back through the procurement process (a 6 month re-bid process). The Spring Creek transformer condition was critical. Denver TSC staff recommended taking them out of service in April 2001 but CVO decided to get through the summer. The condition of oil in Phase C had deteriorated so much that it could not even be reconditioned. If the award were not made for reconditioning contract to start in October 2001, it was likely that the unit would be "forced" from service and result in foregone generation for an extended period. Since this fell into the area of RRTS, Reclamation determined that it was appropriate to fund the \$105,000 from RRTS. The contract was awarded and repairs completed by the end of November 2001.

#### F. FY02 Project Status

- **Folsom Batteries/Battery Room** – Batteries and Chargers have been ordered.
- **Solid State Relays** – A group of protection staff from CVP area offices have been meeting to discuss desired features.
- **Trinity Unit Breakers** – No status expected on this item until FY2003.
- **Spare Shasta Transformer Controls Engineering** – Strategies are being developed on how best to accomplish this work economically.

### 5. Accept New Action Items

- A. **FY2005 Customer O&M Funding Plan** – A preliminary plan was provided by Tom Ruthford that showed Ed Roman's revised numbers.
- B. **Reprogramming** - A draft *Description of the Customer O&M Funding Plan and the Purpose of Each Element* was handed out and discussed.

### 6. Prioritize Action Items

## 7. Address Open Action Items:

- 01/04/2000-1** Cumulative RAX Summary Spreadsheet – Ed
- 03/01/2000-3** Rapid Return to Service for Excess Capacity – Tom/Martin
- 05/01/2001-02** Change Deci-tool to Reflect Capacity Loss --Western
- 05/01/2001-04** 100% RAX Funding Impediments -- Barry
- 10/17/2001-01** Shasta Runner Replacement Work Plan Evaluation – Reclamation is working on this work plan and will be ready to report the results at the next GB meeting.
- 10/17/2001-02** Reprogramming Funds for Spring Creek Transformer Retrofit – This item was resolved as indicated in the report above under Item E. - **Closed**
- 10/17/2001-03** Reprogramming of Funds – This item was resolved. It was mutually understood that reprogramming would only involve the Working Funds portion of the Customer Funding Plan, can be programmed into RRTS but not out of, cannot involve emergency funds, does not apply to the “reserve level”, and must be reported to the GB within 90 days if occurring. - **Closed**

## 8. Future Meetings:

Technical Committee Meet	December 11, 2001	9:00 a.m.	SMUD, Timberline #2 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)
Governance Board Meet	February 6, 2002	9:00 a.m.	Western
Finance Committee Meet	January 11, 2001	9:00 a.m.	Western

## 9. Adjourn